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B5	JP 2000-289320	JP	October 17, 2000

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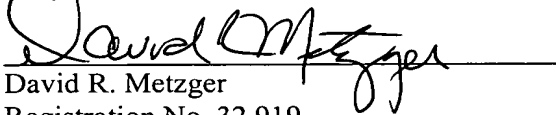
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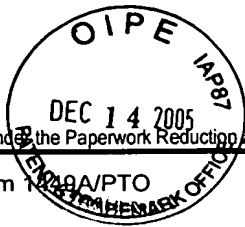
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